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## **Senate Approves Four HOPE Agenda Bills**

**Madison** – Thursday, Rep. John Nygren (R- Marinette) made the following statement regarding Senate approval of the four most recent HOPE Agenda bills:

"The four bills approved by the Senate yesterday build upon the HOPE Agenda (Heroin, Opioid Prevention and Education). The proposals will help fight drug addiction by combatting the misuse and abuse of prescription opioids. The first two proposals deal with Wisconsin's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), and the other two bills focus on gathering information from pain clinics and methadone clinics.

"The goal of the HOPE Agenda is to combat the opioid and heroin epidemic in our state. It is an ongoing effort, and I look forward to continuing to work with my legislative colleagues, law enforcement, the medical community, and advocates statewide on this important effort."

Assembly Bills 364, 365, 366, and 367 will now be sent to Governor Walker for his signature.

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